

L. H. J. (great part of which is Cut into Small pieces for the Conveniency of  
 Lib. No. 45 Change) and reckoned accordingly to the Common Computation  
 not warranted by any Law the ounce at £4.. 2..6  
 Whereas Gold is worth Intrinsically nor more than 3..18..4  
 So that my loss at this rate would be in every ounce } .. 4..2  
 of Gold

This would not be all for the Paper Currency has already (tho  
 not in Circulation) raised the Value of Bills of Exchange which is  
 not Doubted will reach to 40 p C<sup>t</sup> or more so that I must Either  
 Have the money remitted in Specie with the Loss above mentioned  
 and pay Freight and Assurance or loose by Converting this mony  
 in the Country into Bills of Exchange p Cent at least £6..13..4

To A Void these Disadvantages my agent must give possitive  
 orders to the Receivers of every Branch of my Revenue pay<sup>ble</sup> in  
 Sterling mony that when they receive foreign Gold no more be  
 allowed for it than the Intrinsick Value w<sup>ch</sup> is p ounce of such as is  
 Cut into Small Bitts £3..10..0  
 because great frauds have been Discovered by passing Bitts of  
 Brass &c<sup>a</sup> for Gold whereby very Cautious people have been much  
 Imposed on

Copy . . . . Benj<sup>a</sup> Tasker

The Question was put whether Leave shall be now given to bring  
 in a Bill to Repeal the act for Limitation of Shipping Tobacco or  
 not resolved in the Affirmative.

The Committee of Laws ordered to prepare a Bill accordingly

A Bill Entituled an Act for aiding some defects and Imperfections  
 in the Probate of Last Wills and Testaments was brought in read the  
 first time and Committed for amendments

Benjamin Tasker Esq<sup>r</sup> from the Up<sup>r</sup> House Delivers M<sup>r</sup> Speaker  
 a Bill Entituled an act for the Explaining and Carrying into Execu-  
 tion an Act Entituled an act for laying out and Applying three Thou-  
 sand five hundred pounds Current money of Maryland to the uses  
 therein mentioned.

Indorsed by the Up<sup>r</sup> House of Assembly 9<sup>th</sup> May 1737

Read the second time and will pass

Signed p order J Ross Cl<sup>t</sup> Up<sup>r</sup> Ho.

Which Bill was read here the first time & ordered to Lye on the  
 Table.

Ordered that the Clerk of this House Issue Summons for M<sup>r</sup> Philip  
 Thomas M<sup>r</sup> John Galloway and Doctor Samuel Chew all of Ann  
 Arundell County to attend this House on the morrow

p. 694 James Holliday Esq<sup>r</sup> from the Up<sup>r</sup> House Delivers M<sup>r</sup> Speaker  
 a petition of Lewis Duvall of Ann Arundell County praying leave to